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APPENDIX "B"

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Notes on the German Prison Regulations as at 1943

1. Letters

Prisoners sentenced to Zuchthaus (Penal Servitude) may send a letter every eight weeks. They may receive an unspecified number of letters from their next-of-kin. Those sentenced to Gefaengnis (Imprisonment) may send a letter every four weeks and may also receive an unlimited number of letters from their next-of-kin. In addition, prisoners of all classes are allowed to send and receive legal and business letters under the address of the Prison Governors.

This, of course, is subject to the prisoners being of good behaviour.

2. Visits

A prisoner sentenced to Zuchthaus may receive a visitor every twelve weeks for fifteen minutes unless special permission is given for a longer visit. A prisoner sentenced to Gefaengnis may receive a visitor every six weeks for fifteen minutes unless special permission is given for a longer visit.

The legal representative of a prisoner may visit his client as often as he desires and may speak with him privately in the presence of a warder who is out of earshot.

Visits by pastors are unlimited and are usually allowed to take place in the visiting room but in the absence of a warder.

3. Prisoners may talk when they are working.

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NOTE There are communal rooms in most German prisons, e.g. recreation rooms in which games may be played and a monthly cultural performance of some kind is given.